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Response to Amendment

The reply filed on 04-30-2007 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): the response failed to specifically detail any arguments as to how the objection to the specification (not providing antecedent basis for a clip having two jaws rotatable about one axis and having a linear bearing, or the force-parallelism being as a result of a parallelogram hinge or a linear bearing) was overcome, and additionally failed to point out what was agreed to concerning these points in the interview which might have overcome these objections. The only figure with a linear bearing and rotatable jaws is fig. 9A, but these jaws do not appear to rotate about one axis. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Glenn K. Dawson whose telephone number is 571-272-4694. The examiner can normally be reached on M-Th 7:30-5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Anhtuan T. Nguyen can be reached on 571-272-4963. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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